(9) Implementing a scheme of monetary rewards to informants and officers for providing information leading to seizures of Narcotics drugs.

(d) The various measures taken by the Government to curb drug trafficking have resulted in better coordination, exchange of information amongst the concerned enforcement agencies and in taking continuous drug interdiction efforts.

Infiltration of terrorists in India

†205. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that infiltration of terrorists have increased from the neighbouring countries in India during last months;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that this infiltration has been supported by the neighbouring countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of involved nations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) As per available information, till the end of June 2006, the number of estimated infiltrators into Jammu and Kashmir from across the border was 299 compared to 92 during the corresponding period in the last year. There have also been reports of some cases of infiltration of some terrorists across the Indo-Bangladesh and Indo-Nepal borders.

Security concerns are taken up with these countries through the existing mechanisms set up for the purpose.

Drug smuggling

206. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to U.N. report there has been a rise in drug smuggling into India;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the India-Pakistan border is increasingly being used for smuggling narcotics into India; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGHUPATHY): (a) and (b) The World Drug Report, 2006 released by UNODC does not refer to any specific increase in Drug Trafficking in India.

(c) The figures regarding seizure of heroin of South-West Asian Origin reported by various Drug Law Enforcement Agencies during the last 3 years as given below indicate that there has been an increase in trafficking of heroin from across the Indo-Pak border:

Qty. in Kgs.

2003	2004	2005
44	141	266

(d) The Government has taken a number of steps to check smuggling/ trafficking of narcotics drugs within the country as well as across the borders. These include:—

(1) Strict surveillance and enforcement at import and export points, land borders, airports, foreign post offices etc.

(2) Intensive preventive and interdiction efforts along known drug routes.

(3) Improved coordination between the various drug law enforcement agencies in order to impart greater cohesion to interdiction.

(4) Intelligence sharing through coordination meetings of multi-disciplinary enforcement agencies under various foras like LIA meetings (SSB is the lead intelligence agencies for Nepal border), Subsidiary Multi Agency Coordination (SMAC) meetings, Regional Economic Intelligence Meetings (REIC) and Central Economic Intelligence Meetings.

(5) Strengthening of international liaison to improve the collection, analysis and dissemination of operational intelligence.

(6) Increased international cooperation for exchange of information and investigative assistance in administering control over the movement of precursor chemicals.

(7) Building of an electronic data base of offenders.

(8) Conducting training programmes for law enforcement officials for upgrading their skills to combat drug trafficking.

(9) Implementing a scheme of monetary rewards to informants and officers for providing information leading to seizures of Narcotics drugs.

Establishment of police stations in coastal areas

207. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a Government scheme to give financial assistance to the State Governments to establish police stations in the coastal areas;

(b) if so, the essential features of the scheme, including the pattern of assistance;

(c) the total number of police stations proposed to be established, State-wise; and

(d) the expenditure likely to be incurred per year on such police stations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.REGUPATHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the Coastal Security Scheme, assistance is given to the Coastal States and Union Territories to set up coastal police stations equipped with boats and vehicles for mobility along the coastline and in the close coastal waters. Recurring expenditure for a period of five years on fuel, repairs and maintenance of the boats provided, is also met by the Central Government. Manpower is provided by the State Governments.

(c) The number of coastal police stations proposed to be established under the Scheme is as under:-

Gujarat-10, Maharashtra-12, Goa-03, Kamataka-05, Kerala-08, Tamil Nadu-12, Andhra Pradesh-06, Orissa-05, West Bengal-06, Pondicherry-01, Lakshadweep-04 and Daman and Diu-01.